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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Under current law, a Wisconsin student veteran who qualifies for the Wisconsin GI Bill may receive fee remission when pursuing a program that leads to a vocational outcome. The proposed legislation would allow an eligible Wisconsin student veteran to use their WI GI Bill to receive fee remission for courses at a technical college that are avocational or recreational in nature and does not lead to a vocational objective.

In fiscal year 2017-18, 1,711 Wisconsin Technical College System (WTCS) student veterans and their dependents received \$4,149,686 in fee remission for the WI GI Bill. WTCS Districts received \$600,851 in GPR funding from the Higher Education Aids Board which is 14.5% of the total remission that is being provided for student veterans and their dependents.

If this legislation is enacted, Wisconsin Technical College Districts would have a decrease in revenues for noncredit courses when a student veteran uses their Wisconsin GI Bill benefits. For some noncredit courses, this may result in an increase in the amount charged to other students to cover the cost of providing the course.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications